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Readout of the President's Discussion with President Yanukovich

The President and Ukrainian President Yanukovich spoke today at the Nuclear Security Summit in Seoul, South Korea. President Obama expressed appreciation to President Yanukovich and the Ukrainian people for the complete removal of highly enriched uranium from their country as a sign of Ukraine's continuing courageous leadership on nuclear security. The leaders agreed this is an important step towards securing all vulnerable nuclear materials and is an important milestone for global security. The President underscored the importance of demonstrating the vitality of Ukrainian democracy by ensuring free, fair, and transparent parliamentary elections in October. The President also raised U.S. concerns about selective prosecutions of the political opposition.

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